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JUNIOR SOCIAL

We're the Saints of the Centre

Important Dates Term 2, Week 1

**TUESDAY
23 APRIL**



Term 2 commences



Homework Centre will close at 4:30pm Monday to Friday With no teaching staff available

**WEDNESDAY
24 APRIL**



Year 7 to 12 Parent Teacher Interviews 3:30 to 8pm The Minnamurra Hall



Year 7 Finding the Path Medical Information and Consent due via the Community Portal

**THURSDAY
25 APRIL**



ANZAC Day Public Holiday St Philip's Student ANZAC March

**FRIDAY
26 APRIL**



Stage 2 Outdoor Education/Rock Ex Extension Mt Arapiles Rock Climbing Trip Medical Consent due

**SUNDAY
28 APRIL**



Year 8 Into the Desert Groups 1 and 2 depart



A message from Principal, Mr Roger Herbert Term 1, Week 10

Dear Parents,

This week we recognised 'equality' at assembly, which was run brilliantly by our junior leaders. Our leaders spoke of the importance of treating everyone equally, they also created a video where staff and students explained their interpretation of the word, equality.

I thought it was particularly necessary to share my own thoughts on the concept, in a slightly different way. I did this by bringing my two 'boys' onto the stage, Spec and Shadow (see left). They are brothers, from the same litter and have lived almost identical lives. They are in most senses, equal. However, they have different personality traits and needs. One craves affection, whilst one has an anxiety disorder, so their different needs require different reactions. In their case there must be an attitude of fairness, rather than equal treatment. I found this essential to tell our students as we must not confuse equality with a one size fits all approach. In certain circumstances people (or in this case, pets) need to be treated differently, but whatever the circumstance there should always be an attitude of fairness and above all, love.

In last week's newsletter a prayer, which was written 25 years ago, was printed. This has promoted a lot of healthy discussion. This prayer was indicative of that era and the social values of those times. Even though some of what is written in the prayer is still relevant today, there has been considerable growth and change in our social values. This article was trying to highlight how much socially we have changed in some areas yet stayed the same in others. The purpose behind why our Chaplain published the article, which was to promote healthy discussion, and ask the question, what are our values? This clearly was achieved and I appreciate the healthy discussion it has generated. The intention of publishing the prayer was not to provide official endorsement. If I am ever asked, what are St Philip's College values? My answer is simple and consistent. We are a Uniting Church school and we espouse the values of the Uniting Church.

I wish our St Philip's community every happiness over the upcoming holidays and may your days be filled with fairness and love. I hope that you all have a great Easter break and enjoy spending time with family and friends over the next two weeks. I look forward to seeing everyone next term, rested, revitalised and ready for the new challenges that lie ahead.

Kind Regards,

Roger Herbert



Chaplain's Message - Did you still want to do it? - Susan Jones (Reflections on Luke: 23:33-34, 39-43)

What was it like, Jesus,
To Hang there
A failure

Who jeered and spat
Who betrayed,
Denied and ran away.

(a burden so heavy no yoke would
lighten it
Especially not this rough hewn cross)
When you lost sight of God
In that unforgettable forsaken-ness
Did you still want me to do it?

The powerful having won
And succeeded finally
In putting you down
Permanently?

As you did that,
Living out the supreme moments
Of the self-inflicted limitation of your power
Did you believe it would work?

Die for me?

In that dark hour
Could you still believe
God was not defeated

That you had been right to take on servanthood
That 'yes' was the correct answer in Gethsemane
That all the agony was worth it?

I'm glad you did,
For,
When the powerful overcome
My powerlessness,
I need a brother who has
Travelled the same road
And can reassure me
In the blackness
That joy comes
In the morning.

Did you still believe
Love was the way
The meek would inherit
The persecution brought blessing?

Were there any doubts in your mind
That we would even know
Two thousand years further on
Down the world
And if we knew
That we would care?

As you,
God Almighty and human victim
Hung there
Dying for the very ones

In that painful moment
Bearing the burden of the world

College Chaplain
Pastor Sarah Pollitt

Exchange students discover the Red Centre

Year 10 Exchange students, Za'Nyah Khan from Bermuda and Rowenna Hamilton from England got to explore the Red Centre with teacher Ms Pi Lee last week.

The girls enjoyed the beautiful scenery, in Uluru-Kata Tjuta National Park and at Kings Canyon, a huge change from their homelands!



Inter-School Swimming

Congratulations to all who competed in Inter-School Swimming. St Philip's was very successful on the day, winning both Middle School and Senior School overall.

Nine of the twelve Age Champions in Alice Springs were also our students, we are extremely proud of all of them!

Our Age Champions were **Lilly Bloomer, Indigo Keaney, Isaac Blinco, Chelsea Pomfret, Tom Stockwell, Greer Gerritsen, Jordi Krikke, Jordan Nakhla and Bradley Krikke (right)**



This month on SchoolTV - Trauma

Children and teens will experience events during their lives that will affect them emotionally and physically. How they react to these events depends on their age, personality and past experiences. Children can experience strong feelings of fear, sadness, guilt, anger or grief, making it difficult for them to cope with everyday life.

There are a number of ways that parents and care givers can support children after a traumatic event. Your reaction to an event, will impact your child's ability to cope and recover. Children will look to the adults in their lives to help them better understand a traumatic event so it is important to 'tune in' to their fears and provide them with the comfort and support they need.

In this edition of SchoolTV, parents will learn how to gain a better understanding of trauma and how it affects children of all ages. We hope you take time to reflect on the information offered in this month's edition, and we always welcome your feedback.

If you do have any concerns about the wellbeing of your child, please contact the school for further information or seek medical or professional help.

Here is the link to this month's edition: <https://stphilips.nt.schooltv.me/newsletter/trauma>



Reception and Uniform Shop Hours

Reception will close
on Friday 5 April at 4.00 pm and re-open
on Tuesday 23 April at 8.00 am
Telephone calls will still be answered as normal, so feel free to call 8950 4511 if you have any queries.

The Uniform Shop will close
on Friday 5 April at 3.30 pm and re-open
on Tuesday 23 April from 8.00 am - 10 am only (special times)
and then resume normal hours - Mon-Wed-Fri 1.00 pm - 3.30 pm



Friday was an exciting night for many of the boarders as it was the WAFL Youth Finals at Albrecht Oval. With players in four of the five teams there was plenty of interest so we all had a very early dinner and went to watch. After the semis and preliminary finals the two teams who were left in the competition were Alkamylia and Pioneers. With no players in Pioneers we were all right behind Alkamylia, which had Megan, Charni, Taylor and Siobhan as members. It was a very tight finish but Alkamylia held on despite a last minute push from the opposition. Well done to our four boarders on their medals and a special mention to Siobhan who was also a winning Grand Finalist last year with Rovers.

On Saturday our U16 basketball team played in the semi finals against Yirara. Having beaten them last week we felt we had a good chance, but we were missing a crucial player and this made all the difference and we went down by five points. We also missed out on the finals of the Womens B Division by just one point. Having said that, it's been a very good season, with new players coming into the team and a great coach in Fabrice. Many thanks to him. We also need to remember that to accommodate everyone who wants to play, both teams have some very young players in them so all credit to them for a great effort. A number of players have also benefitted from belonging to the school basketball program and there has been a marked improvement in their game.

On Saturday night we had our end of term party. We played a few games, held an Easter egg hunt, presented the term's awards and had lots of yummy food. It was a lovely way to end our weekend activities for Term 1.

We are all looking forward to the holidays and a special mention to Mereoni who flies to Brisbane on Sunday to represent the NT at the National Netball Championships. Good luck to her and to everyone else have a wonderful holiday.

*Margaret Stevenson
Head of Girls' Boarding*



Enjoying an outdoor feast at the end of term party.



Alkamylia winning team members Charni, Siobhan, Megan and Taylor



West's AFL team mates Elisha, Giaan and Gina

GBH NEWS

EXPLORE THE OUTBACK

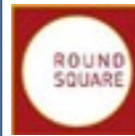
ADULT ENDEAVOUR PROGRAM 2019

*Bush Walking, Abseiling,
Gorge Crossing &
Roast Chickens!*

Course to run:

Monday 17 June - Friday 21 June

Register your expression of interest at:
outdoor.education@stphilips.nt.edu.au



12 HOUR SPORTS

Sunday, 5th May 2019: 10am – 10pm



It is here! The Round Square Annual 12 Hour Sports 2019 registration has now opened for the annual 12 Hour Sports Competition.

Collect your sign-up sheets from Student Access today!

Make a team of 10 with your friends, decide on your team name and don't forget a team flag and uniform!

Bring a cake for the bake sale! The money raised from the event will go towards the Bricks and Mortar Fund for Round Square Projects.

On the day there will be morning tea, lunch and dinner available for a reasonable price. Feel free to bring a packed lunch. There will also be a cake stand, sausage sizzle, and other snacks sold between meal times. Bring your money and you won't go hungry.

So, collect your sign-up sheet from Student Access today to be part of this exciting event that is for a worthy cause!

SIGN-UPS CLOSE WEDNESDAY 24th OF APRIL (Week 1, Term 2)



Get ready, stay ready!



Music Tuition Lessons Term 2 PLACES ARE AVAILABLE

in the following instruments:

- Guitar
- Piano
- Drums
- Saxophone
- Flute
- Clarinet

Application forms are available from Student Access
or from Mrs Kidd at the Music Tuition Office.

Call 8950 4529 if you require further information.

YEAR 7-12

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

WEDNESDAY 24TH APRIL
3:30-8PM
THE MINNAMURRA HALL

BOOK FROM 9AM THURSDAY 4 APRIL -
8AM DAY OF INTERVIEWS VIA
SYNERGETIC COMMUNITY PORTAL

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON HOW TO
BOOK PLEASE CONTACT JENNIFER
ROBINSON VIA EMAIL AT JENNIFER.
ROBINSON@STPHILIPS.NT.EDU.AU



**CALLING ALL
Musicians / Singers / Dancers / Bands / Actors /
Or if you have an amazing talent in Whatever!**

There are New Dance sections including:

- Student Choreography,
- Special Needs Dance Abilities
- "Open Dance" - for those with that little bit extra to show!
- The ever-popular Talent Quest has been revamped.

**Entries* for the Centralian Eisteddfod this year
Need to be in by 18th April 2019.**

Entry forms can be downloaded from
<http://www.centralianeisteddfod.org/>

*Please note: It is only in the case of students competing as part of a College run group, i.e. Band, Choir, Jnr or Senior Dance, that the College organises and pays for the entry.

Individual/Solo competitors: the responsibility for entries and their payments rests with each individual student.



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MONDAY - FRIDAY @ 11AM - 2PM

For more details email: melanie.gunner@caac.org.au



SCHOOL HOLIDAY CLINIC

Red Centre sports are combining to offer an exciting School Holiday Clinic. The clinic is open to children aged 5-13 to develop a love for movement in a variety of different sports including AFL, Basketball, Netball, NRL & Tennis.

Date: Monday 15- Tuesday 16 April, 2019

Time: 9am-2pm

Location: Tennis Courts Alice Springs -
5 Traeger Avenue, Alice Springs

Cost: \$100 (Sporting Voucher Accepted)

Register here:

<https://nt.netball.com.au/school-holiday-clinics/>

Any questions contact:
alicespringsnetball@nt.edu.au





VERDI FOOTBALL CLUB

Are you interested in playing soccer this year?
Verdi are looking for Some players in our
Under 12s, 14 and 16s Teams.

If you would like to join or for any inquires
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Deadline for Friday's issue is 5pm on the preceding Tuesday.

Please note that any community notices are provided externally and do not reflect our advertising standards.

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